

City of Southgate
Police & Fire Civil Service Commission
February 12th, 2026

A meeting of the Police and Fire Civil Service Commission was held in the City of Southgate Caucus Room, 14400 Dix-Toledo Highway, Southgate, Michigan on Tuesday, January 7th, 2026 and was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Commissioner Chairperson Brian Ochmanek.

Present: Commissioner Chairperson Brian Ochmanek & Commissioner Christopher Poirier,
Commissioner Jeffrey Moore
Also Present: Chief Mydlarz and Fire Chief Graves, D/Lt. Brian Klonowski, D/Sgt. Mike Murphy, D/Sgt.
Jonathon McCue, D/Sgt. Nicholas Merony, D/Sgt. Derek Lipsey, Lieutenant Brent Newsted
Excused:

Meeting Summary

- Minutes
- Communications
- Police Department Deputy Chief Testing Results
- Police Department Update

Minutes

- **The minutes from the January 7th, 2026 meeting were approved. *Moved by Poirier, Supported by Moore. All in favor.***

Communications

- Deputy Police Chief Promotional Testing Results
- Appointment letter for Fire Prevention Lieutenant Craig Selias

Commissioner Poirier made a motion to close the meeting to open and review the results of the Deputy Police Chief Assessment Center held on February 10th, 2026. Supported by Moore. All in Favor.

Commissioner Poirier made a motion to open the meeting and certify the results of the Deputy Police Chief Assessment Center. Supported by Moore. All in Favor.

An Assessment Center for the position of Deputy Police Chief was completed on February 10th, 2026. The results are as follows.

1. Brent Newsted
2. Robert Lukofsky

This list will expire on February 12th, 2028.

Police Department Update

The promotion of Brent Newsted is expected to take place in March. That will create a vacancy for Patrol Lieutenant. Jonathan McCue is currently on the list and has indicated he will take the

promotion. Sergeant Keith Shurkus has indicated he will take the lateral transfer to Detective Sergeant filling the vacated position of Sgt. McCue. Officer Jones is then expected to be promoted to Sergeant.

Reed Wilkin is in the police academy and progressing. Reed is expected to graduate in early May. We have 3 officers in the FTO program. All 3 are progressing through training well. We are currently 3 officers short. We also have 2 Officers on duty injury. Officer Stein is on light duty and Officer Dube is targeting a return on light duty in early March.

There are 2 Police Interviews scheduled for Friday February 13th. One is a lateral transfer and the other would need to be sponsored.

Fire Department Update

The Commission was advised that Craig Selias will be taking over as Prevention Lieutenant which is a new position that will be assisting the Fire Marshal with inspections and training. FF Brendan Pawlaczyk is doing well. He has an MRI scheduled next week and is continuing PT. Brad Lesko and Ken Kilander are also on duty injury at this time.

The March meeting is canceled. The next regular Police & Fire Civil Service Commission meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 7th, 2026 at 4:00 p.m. in the City of Southgate Caucus Room in City Hall.

Moved by Commissioner Poirier, supported by Commissioner Moore RESOLVED, that the meeting of the Police and Fire Civil Service Commission be adjourned at 3:31 p.m. Carried unanimously.

February 17th, 2026



Mark A. Mydlarz
Chief of Police